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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/541589</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/03844	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 22 March 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 04 April 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION EXPANDABLE STYRENE-MODIFIED OLEFIN-BASED RESIN BEADS, PRE-EXPANDED BEADS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING EXPANDED MOLDED ARTICLE			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Narihiko TOGOU and Masaya SATOU			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (23) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> </ol> <p>"Executed"</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 11 to 22 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Assignee: <u>SEKISUI PLASTICS CO., LTD., of Osaka, Japan</u></li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.  <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> Figure of Drawing to be published.</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:                  International Application as published in Japanese.                  PCT/ISA/210 International Search Report (in English and Japanese).                  PCT/RO/101 PCT Request (in Japanese).                  PCT/IB/308.                  Claim of Priority.</li> </ol>			

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23 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: Basic national fee.....		300.00		CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
24 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination Fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4).....		100.00		\$300.00	
All other situations.....		200.00		\$200.00	
25 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a) (2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....		100.00		\$400.00	
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office.....		400.00			
All other situations.....		500.00			
<b>TOTAL 23, 24 and 25 =</b>			\$900.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Fee for Specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
-100=	/50 =		x \$250.00	\$ 0.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)).				\$ 0.00	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	6	- 20 = 0	x \$50.00	\$ 0.00	
Independent Claims	1	- 3 = 0	x \$200.00	\$ 0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>			\$900.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½ .			\$ 0.00		
			<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>	\$900.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (i)).			\$ 0.00		
Extension of Time fee in the amount of \$			\$ 0.00		
			<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>	\$900.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property			\$ 40.00		
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>			\$940.00		
			Amount to be refunded	\$	
			Charged	\$	
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <u>\$940.00</u> to cover the above fees is included.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p>					
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